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Tunis Charges French Fire On Border Village

TUNIS (Reuter).— The Tunisian Ministry of Information said on Wednesday night that the frontier village of Sakiet Sidi Youssef, near the Algerian border, has been under mortar fire from French forces. The Ministry said that one Tunisian had been killed and another wounded.

Earlier in the day, Tunisian sources said French troops had entered Tunisian territory in the area on Tuesday night, while fighting Algerian insurgents who had been harassing French posts near the frontier.

Tunisian sources said later that French forces estimated at two regiments in strength and supported by tanks had entered Tunisian territory in the Bou Jabar area of the frontier. They claimed that the French forces continued to remain three kms. inside Tunisian territory.

M. Sadok Mokaddem, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, on Wednesday night filed a strong protest with the French Embassy in Tunis against the alleged "violation of Tunisian soil by French forces", the sources said.

No confirmation of the Tunisian reports was available in Algiers on Wednesday night.

Sakiet Sidi Youssef was the scene of a French bombing incident last February which led to a crisis in France's relations with her former protectorate of Tunisia.

Israel Gets UNESCO Vice-Presidency

By MAURICE CARR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Israel has been elected to one of the 12 Vice Presidencies of the UNESCO General Conference, which marks the first time that she has held an important office in this organization. Other Vice Presidents are from Argentina, Germany, Great Britain, Honduras, Japan, Morocco, Pakistan, Rumania, Spain, U.S.S.R., and the U.S. The list of Vice Presidents submitted by the nominations committee was adopted unanimously.

Arab delegates protested that they were not adequately represented by only one Arab country, Morocco, but they did not raise any specific objection against Israel. Politics being inseparable from culture in a divided world, Israel voted against the admission of the Republic of China into UNESCO but voted for recognition of credentials presented by the Hungarian delegation.

The Franco-Israel trade agreement, which will be signed on Thursday (today), raises the ceiling of Israel exports to France for 1959 from $10m. to $11m., and also increases Israel export quotas to French overseas territories from 250m. to 340m. francs. Citrus juice and groundnuts are the main items covered by the $1m. boost in Israel exports to France. So far this year, Israel has exported $8m. worth of merchandise to this country.

Agreement on a French 5,000m. franc credit to Israel will be signed on Thursday by Israel Ambassador Ya'acov Tsur at an official ceremony.

Crowds in Baghdad Cheer Aref's Arrest

BAGHDAD. — Cheering crowds marched all day on Wednesday through the main streets of Baghdad hailing the arrest the previous day of Col. Abdul Salam Aref, former Deputy Premier.

Aref, who had been appointed Ambassador to West Germany after his dismissal from the Cabinet at the end of September, arrived back here "without permission." He was arrested and is to stand trial for "conspiring against the security of the fatherland," it was officially announced.

It was reported that there were cables from all over the country congratulating Premier Kassem on the arrest and demanding "quick action."

In Bonn, Ali Haider Sulaiman, who was to be replaced as Ambassador there by Aref, said the latter was in Vienna up to last Monday. Sulaiman said he had received no official information about the arrest and, therefore, could not say if he would stay on as Ambassador.

Aref's arrest came as a complete surprise to Arab quarters in Cairo. Observers there were quoted as saying that it constitutes the "gravest test yet" for the new Iraqi regime.

Immediately after the arrest, it was announced in Baghdad that the pay of soldiers would be raised immediately, and that policemen and minor officials would receive higher pay soon.

Meanwhile, the Iraqi Army tightened security precautions by deploying armoured cars and reinforcing troops guarding key installations. Hundreds of troops in khaki uniforms and armed with automatic rifles guarded the barracks-like Defence Ministry where Kassem works and lives. Jeep-mounted recoilless guns were posted around the ministry and inside its grounds.

(Reuter, UPI)

Iraq Claims Israel To Attack Monday

The "Israel attack against Jordan will start on Monday when King Hussein leaves for good" for Europe, Baghdad Radio reported on Wednesday night.

At the same time, Cairo newspapers continued the propaganda war against Israel by boldly announcing that the U.A.R. armies had taken up positions in readiness to enter into action in the event of Israel forces attacking Jordan.

"Al Akhbar" said that a "military plan" has been drawn up which would enable Arab armies to "move and participate in fighting within a few minutes of an Israel attack." It added that Iraq's role in this plan has been "defined." Other Cairo papers reported that Iraq and the Lebanon have sent word to Abdul Nasser pledging armed support in case of a war with Israel.

The Baghdad press also printed an appeal by the "Peace Partisans Organization," urging national unity behind Premier Kassem in view of the alleged Israel troop concentrations.

In Prague, Reuter reported, the Czech Communist Party organ "Rude Pravo" alleged that the purpose of "Ben-Gurion's ultimatum to Jordan" was to "prevent by threats and pressure the people of Jordan overthrowing foreign domination." The paper said that not even official denial of the mobilization reports can lessen "the implications of Ben-Gurion's threats," because "it is an open secret that the regular Israel Army is so large that it could carry out the threat within 24 hours."

No Date Set For Hussein's Holiday

AMMAN (Reuter). — Information Minister Abdul Munim Rifa'i on Wednesday confirmed that King Hussein plans a short holiday abroad soon. He said the departure date had not yet been fixed.

Rifa'i termed the fact that the King is going away a sign of confidence in the home situation, not of instability.

"This is the time for him to go on holiday and there is no reason why he should not go." He added that the King is expected to go to Europe and would probably visit his mother, Queen Zein, in Lausanne. He did not think the vacation would be a long one.

In London, the Foreign Office spokesman said there is no truth in a report that King Hussein is leaving Jordan on British advice.

The new Jordan Ambassador to Britain, Said Hashim, on Wednesday presented his credentials to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace.

Western Envoys Informed Of Israel Stand

POST Political Correspondent

The anti-Israel campaign being conducted by Cairo and Moscow has been discussed during the course of regular normal contacts between the Foreign Ministry and representatives of friendly governments here, it is learned from authoritative sources.

Following the Prime Minister's statement in the Knesset last week on his interview in the London "Sunday Times" and again after his reply this week to a parliamentary question about Cairo's allegations that Israel was mobilizing and preparing to move against Jordan, the heads of several of the diplomatic missions, including those of the Western Big Three, as well as Italy and Canada, initiated interviews at the Foreign Ministry to seek further information on the subject and to exchange views, it is understood.

No "Warning"

There was no question, however, of Israel having been "warned" or "cautioned" regarding her reaction to the artificially manufactured tension. Reports to this effect emanating from Arab capitals, including a news agency dispatch from Beirut on Tuesday, were vigorously denied in authoritative circles.

In Washington on Tuesday, Mr. Lincoln White, the State Department spokesman said that it was "standard procedure" for the U.S. to urge nations to avoid committing acts which might cause tension. He was replying to a reporter who asked if the U.S. has been advising Middle Eastern nations to "keep calm."

Eban Reports To Knesset Committee

Ambassador Abba Eban reported to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security committee on Wednesday on Israel-American relations. He gave a comprehensive review from the period of the Sinai campaign to the present. He also spoke on the policies of the Republicans and Democrats, of Israel on the international scene and in the U.N. Assembly debates.

The Chairman, Mr. Meir Argov, congratulated Mr. Eban on his being elected President of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Russia to Buy Lebanese Surplus

Premier Rashid Karameh of the Lebanon told a press conference in Beirut on Wednesday that the Soviet Union and Poland had agreed to purchase the country's surplus agricultural produce, Beirut Radio reported.

UPI quoted the Cairo weekly "Akher Sa'a" as saying that the Soviet Union has offered the Lebanon a long-term loan with no strings attached. It said Karameh "left it to President Shehab to decide whether to accept it in the light of the Lebanon's new policy towards the world's two camps."

Earlier, Karameh announced that he had conferred with the Russian Ambassador and that the Soviet Union was willing to renew the trade agreement of 1955 which was for a total of LL-10m. (about £1m.).

The Premier also declared that his request for extraordinary powers from Parliament would be tantamount to a vote of confidence in his Government. In this connection, Baghdad Radio stated that once he gets such powers, Karameh will ban all newspapers backing ex-President Chamoun. The radio said that Chamoun is now under constant police surveillance and that his telephone line is tapped.

Agriculture Minister Pierre Gemayel, leader of the Christian Falangists, declared that he was opposed to the return of the U.A.R. Ambassador, Brig. Abdul Hamid Galeb, who was reported to be due in Beirut within two days. He favoured the dispatch of someone else in his place "to purify the atmosphere," he stated.

Jordan Air Force Allowed Over UAR

Jordan military planes will be allowed to fly over U.A.R. territory if the Jordan authorities give advance notice, Baghdad Radio reported on Wednesday.

It said that the first Jordan Air Force aircraft flew over Syrian territory on Wednesday on its way to Cyprus for repairs.

'Baghdad' Pact Group Meets

ANKARA (Reuter). — The Baghdad Pact military committee met here on Wednesday to discuss and study plans prepared by the combined military planning staff since the Council's London meeting in July.

Delegations from Britain, Turkey, the U.S., Persia, and Pakistan attended. Supplementary sessions will last two days.

Extra Budget Tabled in Knesset

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The first supplementary budget for 1958/59, which amounts to IL40.5m. and makes no provision for any new taxes, was on Wednesday tabled in the Knesset.

More than half of the new budget, IL21.7m. is earmarked for the Ministry of Defence to meet increased defence expenditures which have recently been incurred. As a result of transfers of personal restitution funds, which receive a 20 per cent premium, the relevant item was raised by IL7m., with another IL7m. destined for the encouragement of exports. Some IL4.15m. will be added to the budget of the Ministry of Education and Culture to meet a greater expenditure than was estimated for kindergartens and primary education.

On the expenditure side, the new budget reduces the allocation for subsidies by IL4m. following discontinuation of the subsidy on vegetables. In addition, the State's contribution to the National Insurance Institute is cut by IL3m., part of which will be provided in the next budget.

On the revenue side, the new budget foresees an income of IL7m. from income tax, where revenue will top estimates by this sum. The same higher revenue than originally expected is recorded in customs receipts, with an additional income of IL-12m. Excise will provide an extra IL4m., purchase tax another IL1.9m. and other taxes, levies, licence fees and defence stamps some IL8m.

Other revenue items include IL7m. from interest on Government loans. It is expected that the Knesset will debate the proposed budget next week.

HEAVY FIRE DAMAGE TO BRUSSELS AIRPORT

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — Traffic at Brussels Airport, whose huge main building was half gutted by fire on Tuesday night, is still partly disrupted.

Election Landslide Gives Democrat Party Strongest Congress Since New Deal Era

Latest Results

The latest results, with only those for the Senate final, are :

HOUSE — 279 Democrats and 151 Republicans elected; 5 races still in doubt.

SENATE — 26 Democrats and 8 Republicans elected. With holdovers, the final lineup is 62 Democrats and 34 Republicans.

GOVERNORS — 24 Democrats and 8 Republicans elected; one still in doubt with Democratic candidate leading. Democrats captured 8 Republican Governorships. Republicans took 4 Democratic Governorships.

VICTORS But Rockefeller Gets New York

Engle (Cal.) — Williams (N.J.)

Proxmire (Wis.) — Hart (Mich.)

McCarthy (Minn.) — Beall (M'd.)

Here are some of winning Governors and Senators :

GOVERNORS

Arizona: Paul Fannin (R); California: Edmund Brown (D); Georgia: Ernest Vandiver (D); Iowa: Herschel Loveless (D); Kansas: George Docking (D); Maine: Clinton Clauson (D); Massachusetts: Foster Furcolo (D); Michigan: Mennen Williams (D); New York: Nelson Rockefeller (R); Ohio: Michael Disalle (D); Rhode I.: Christopher Del Sesto (R); S. Carolina: Ernest Hollings (D); Vermont: Robert Stafford (R). Connecticut — A. Rubicoff (D); New Mexico—John Burroughs (D); Oregon — Mark Hatfield (R); Wyomin g J.J. Hickey (D); Maryland, J. Millard Tawes (D); Nevada: Grant Sawyer (D).

SENATORS

New Jersey: Harrison Williams (D); Rhode I.: John Pastore (D); Wisconsin: Wm. Proxmire (D); New York: Kenneth Keating (R); Maryland: J. Glenn Beall (R); Arizona: Barry Goldwater (R); California: Clair Engle (D); Missouri: Stuart Symington (D); New Mexico: Dennis Chavez (D); Massachusetts: John Kennedy (D); Maine: Edmund Huskie (D); Mississippi: John Stennis (D); Wyoming: Gale McGee (D); Vermont: Frederick Fayette (D); Nevada: Howard Cannon (D); Minnesota: Eugene McCarthy (D); Michigan: Philip Hart (D); Ohio: Stephen Young (D).

WASHINGTON. — An election landslide has given the Democratic Party its strongest control of Congress since the Roosevelt New Deal days of the 1930's. President Eisenhower became the first U.S. President in history confronted by three Congresses dominated by the opposing party.

The Republicans found some consolation in Mr. Nelson Rockefeller's victory over Mr. Averell Harriman for the Governorship of New York State. His victory brings him into the presidential picture for 1960 beside the No. 1 prospect, Vice-President Richard Nixon, while Mr. Harriman's chances for the Democratic nomination are virtually nil.

Similarly Republican Senator William Knowland was beaten into temporary oblivion by a Democrat, Mr. Edmund Brown, in the struggle for the important Governorship of California.

Democrats re-elected all 13 of their incumbent Senators running this year, and took 13 seats away from the Republicans. With 36 holdovers, their total Senate membership was 62, with only 50 needed for control.

The Democrats wrested both West Virginia seats from the Republicans and took over Republican Senatorships in Connecticut, Ohio, California, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, and Utah, plus the one they captured in Maine in September.

Republicans retained eight Senatorships for a total membership of 34, counting 6 holdovers.

In the House, Democrats had elected 279 members and led in three other contests for an indicated total of 282, far more than the 219 needed for control. Republicans had elected 151 and led in two other races for an indicated total of 153. By late afternoon they had succeeded in unseating only one Democrat. Mrs. Coya Knutson of Minnesota, who was plagued by her husband's opposition to her Congressional career.

In the Governorship battles, Democrats won 24 and led in one other—Nebraska. Republicans elected eight. This would make the line-up across the nation 34 for the Democrats and 14 for the Republicans, compared to the present division of 29 Democrats and 19 Republicans.

Alaska will elect two Senators, a Congressman and a Governor on November 25.

There was no special geographical pattern in the election except for the usual solid Democratic vote in the South.

Democrats claimed the recent recession was a big factor in their victory, although the election was not fought on any clear fundamental issues. Local problems and personalities played a big part in campaigning.

Labour leaders acclaimed the election as ensuring a Congress that could enact social legislation, wiping out the existing "right to work" laws which would ban the trade union closed shop.

Labour also hoped that Congress would be favourably disposed to such long goals as a minimum wage, better unemployment pay and economic policies aimed at preventing recurring recessions.

(Reuter, UPI)

Ike Predicts Real Trouble

By JESSE ZEL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — At his press conference in Washington on Wednesday, President Eisenhower snook his head in bewilderment at the strange actions of American voters and predicted that he would have "real trouble" with the tremendous Democratic majority in Congress, particularly in the Senate.

Mr. Eisenhower pointed out that he had made it clear to the voters who gave him a large majority two years ago that he was firmly opposed to Government spending. On Tuesday, he continued, they "voted for people I had classed among the spenders, and that is what I say is going to be the real trouble now."

The President is bewildered because he does not read political commentators who have been saying repeatedly since his first victory that people searching for political leadership found it in him, but that many have since been disillusioned. Now, the New York voters have turned to Nelson Rockefeller, the 1958 version of the leader with the broad smile, wide shoulders, sprinkled heavily with an aura of sincerity.

In other states, they remembered the leadership provided by the Democratic Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry Truman in hard times, and the do-nothingness of the Republicans in the recent recession, and so turned the Republicans out and swept the Democrats in. The extent of the Democratic landslide is indicated by the election of a Democratic Congressman in Vermont for the first time in 106 years, while the Democrats captured the Massachusetts State Legislature for the first time in history.

Since U.S. friendship for Israel is completely bipartisan, Israel did not enter into the campaign despite the attempt by Dorothy Schiff, publisher of the "New York Post," to interject it at the last moment in support of Mr. Rockefeller.

Possibly to show how wrong she was, the correspondent of "Al Ahram," appearing on a panel of foreign correspondents over television, said the Arabs are happy that Mr. Averell Harriman lost, because of his many efforts on behalf of Israel. To which your correspondent, appearing on the same panel, replied, "Israel regrets that her good friend Harriman lost, but rejoices in the victory of another very good friend, Rockefeller."

Macmillan Sees Big Israel Role in M.E., Lauds Ties

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, said in London on Wednesday night that Israel will play "a vital and important part" in the peaceful development of the Middle East and stressed that there are now "better relations and understanding than ever before" between Britain and Israel.

"We wish Israel well," the Premier said at a banquet given by the Board of Deputies of British Jews in honour of the Israel Ambassador, Mr. Eliahu Elath, as part of Israel's Tenth Anniversary celebrations.

Also present with Mr. Macmillan, who for the first time honoured with his presence an Ambassador who is not leaving his post, were Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, Labour Party leader, and Mr. Jo Grimond, head of the Liberal Party. London diplomatic circles stressed the symbolic attitude of such a gesture.

Mr. Macmillan lauded Mr. Elath's part in forging closer British-Israel links, and praised him as a fine diplomat, and scholar-statesman. He stated that Mr. Elath is suspected of wanting to return to his studies, and added, "I can understand his feelings." (Laughter.)

British Sympathy

The Premier declared that Britain's people have "sympathy and understanding" for Israel as a result of Mr. Elath's able interpretation of Israel's viewpoint.

He further declared that the British authorities were "glad to receive" the Israel Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, and that the recent talks with her in London were "useful, free, and frank."

Emphasizing Israel's role in the peaceful development of the Middle East, he said that even critics now admire her social and scientific achievements as "impressive." The full qualities of a nation only appear in times of adversity, he noted.

Recent history in the Middle East has moved at a "tremendous pace," and all the present signs in that troubled area are "encouraging," he declared. The move towards peace, economic progress and social development by all nations in the region cannot be obscured.

He noted with satisfaction Israel's successful progress towards increasing friendship with the newly-independent Afro-Asian nations, and said that Britain watches this development with "sympathy and interest."

While there had in the past been misunderstanding between the two countries, Mr. Macmillan said, he was glad to report now that the situation was different. In proposing his toast to Mr Elath, the Premier expressed confidence that both Britain and Israel will now "move in harmony" and in a "spirit of faith and confidence in the future."

U.K.'s 'Response'

In his reply Ambassador Elath stressed Britain's special place in the history of the Jewish people and of Israel as the country responsible for issuing the Balfour Declaration. Declaring that Israel found many good friends in all walks of life in Britain, Mr. Elath stressed Israel's appreciation of Her Majesty's Government in its "favourable response to our security needs."

Mr. Gaitskell said that the Premier's speech was good evidence of Mr. Elath's capabilities in his post, and coincided with the view of the Commons and of the Diplomatic Corps.

Mr. Grimond said that Israel's future rests in a "fruitful alliance with her neighbours" and that for peace to become a reality Israel must be accepted among her neighbours as "a true Middle Eastern power."

NASSER CONFERS WITH U.S. ENVOY

Abdul Nasser on Wednesday met with the American Ambassador, Mr. Raymond Hare, at the latter's request, according to Cairo Radio. No details of the meeting were released.

UN Troops to Remain Until Korea United

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The U.S. served notice on Wednesday that United Nations forces will be withdrawn from Korea only when that divided country is reunited on the basis of U.N. principles.

Senator Bourke Hickenlooper of the U.S. opened the general debate on Korea in the General Assembly's Main Political Committee with a firm rejection of Communist demands that foreign forces be pulled out of South Korea.

He declared in reply to the Communist claim that all Chinese "volunteers" have been withdrawn from North Korea recently, that the U.N. should not forget that the Korean War started in 1950 after all foreign troops had been removed from Korea.

Earlier the Committee voted to invite Ambassador You Chan Yang of South Korea to take part in its debate without a vote. It defeated a Soviet bid also to seat a representative of North Korea.

GOP Millionaire Wins Against Tide in N.Y.

ALBANY (UPI).—Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller, a dynamic newcomer on the political scene, swept into the New York Governorship by a smashing 555,219 - vote margin over a fellow millionaire, the Democratic incumbent, Mr. Averell Harriman.

Rockefeller

Complete returns showed that Mr. Rockefeller, untouched by the strong Democratic tide that surged through most of the nation, carried all but one of his Republican running mates into office with him.

Rep. Kenneth B. Keating beat New York City's District Attorney, Mr. Frank S. Hogan, for Senator by a vote of 2,-825,050 to 2,-814,039.

Keating

The only exception in the Rockefeller sweep was in the race for Comptroller, which incumbent Mr. Arthur Levitt won in a close contest with Republican James Lundy.

12 JEWS IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON (INA). — A survey of nation-wide election results reveals that 12 Jews will sit in the next Congress, 10 as Congressmen and two as Senators, the latter being Mr. J. Javits of New York and Mr. R. Neuberger, Oregon.

All Jewish members of Congress from New York standing for re-election won, with the addition of Mr. Seymour Halprin (Rep.).

Eisenhower Comments On 'Two Chinas'

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Eisenhower was asked at his press conference on Wednesday whether the U.S. is moving towards the recognition of two Chinas — the Peking regime as well as Formosa.

He said in reply that, sometimes, opinions and factors undergo gradual change. He gave as an example the communique issued by Gen. Chiang Kai-shek and Secretary of State Dulles stating that Nationalist China intends to use political means rather than force to win back the mainland.

It could thus be seen that there is something always changing in this problem, the President said.

He added that as far as he is concerned the U.S. position is not changing as long as China continued to do some things which the U.S. could not stomach such as continued detention of its citizens when it had been promised two years ago to release them.

Unesco Rejects Bid To Seat Peking Delegation

PARIS (Reuter). — The general conference of UNESCO on Wednesday adopted by 41 votes to 21 a U.S. proposal rejecting Soviet attempts to replace the Formosa delegation with one from Peking.

Some 14 nations abstained.

The conference also approved a motion to reject the credentials of the Hungarian delegation while allowing it the right to vote. The voting was 39 to 20, with 17 abstentions.

In a bitter three-hour debate delegates from eight Communist nations spoke against the U.S. proposals.

UN Body Studies UNEF

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — The U.N. Special Political Committee met on Wednesday to discuss a summary study of experience derived from the establishment and operation of the U.N. Emergency Force in the Middle East.

Mr. Dag Hammarskjold told the Committee that the "political issues involved have to be resolved if and when the U.N. faces a concrete situation in which the members have to decide on a field operation by the U.N. of the kind considered here."

He added: "That would also be the best time for a consideration of the principles that should apply in a particular case. In those circumstances, I feel no need for the Assembly to take any action at the present time."

Mr. Hammarskjold said that when the Assembly decided to establish U.N.E.F., it had no precedents to follow. For this reason it had to run considerable risks of making mistakes or causing misunderstandings. "There is neither reason nor excuse for us to be unprepared to meet any new emergency requiring similar treatment," he said.

The Secretary-General said he hoped the U.N. will not be called on again to intervene in the way it had with U.N.E.F., but he was conscious of the fact that three times in two years the U.N. had to meet demands for assistance in the field. It would be "unrealistic" not to recognize the possibility of this situation arising again.

He hoped his reports on the experience gained from U.N.E.F. would clarify the situation and facilitate discussion which would take into account the legal restrictions imposed on the U.N. by national sovereignty.

He said, "Most important in this respect is the need for the consent of the host country as well as of contributing countries to any operation of this kind. Another element which has not always received sufficient attention is that U.N. field operations on the legal basis just indicated cannot have purposes which require initiative in the use of armed force.

"It would be my hope that as a result of the present discussion it would become more widely recognized that both the U.N.E.F. and subsequent arrangements in Lebanon and Jordan, as well as all similar measures in the future, are to be clearly distinguished from arrangements and operations that would require the organization of a force of a military nature and entitled to initiative in the use of armed force."

Mr. Mihai Magheru of Rumania, the Committee Chairman, said that having heard the Hammarskjold statement, there was "no real need now to embark upon a further study of this question."

In the absence of objections, he adjourned the meeting until Friday when the Committee will take up the question of Arab refugees.

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Personal invitations are not being sent.

Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi on Wednesday gave a luncheon for Mr. and Mrs. I. Hamlin.

The President on Wednesday received the Israel Ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Abba Eban. The President also received the Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Y. Nahmias, who presented the new Commander of the Southern District, Mr. Y. Pelieg. They were accompanied by Mr. A. Sella, chief of the Headquarters Division.

Mr. Nahmias also presented Mr. Pelieg to the Prime Minister on Wednesday.

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The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mrs. Golda Meir, on Wednesday received Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Ring, of Washington, D.C.

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The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, on Wednesday gave a reception for the outgoing Director of the Ministry's Industry Unit, Mr. Avraham Taiber, and to his successor, Mr. Nahman Vidan.

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Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog on Wednesday received at his home the Canadian Ambassador to Israel, Miss Margaret Meagher. Miss Meagher was also received by Chief Rabbi and Mrs. I. Nissim on the same day.

Chief Rabbi Herzog on Wednesday received the Burmese Minister to Israel, U Tin Maung Gyi, at home. The Minister also paid a courtesy call on Mayor Gershon Agron of Jerusalem, accompanied by Mr. Yehezkel Barnea of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

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Mr. Jan Peerce, the Metropolitan Opera tenor, and Mrs. Peerce, the Chairman of the Women's Division for Israel Bonds in New York City, were on Wednesday the luncheon guests of Mr. Hanoch Nenner, Chairman of the Eilat Local Council, during their visit to development projects in the Eilat area financed with the aid of Israel Bond investments. Also present at the luncheon were Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Feinstein, Bond leaders from Philadelphia.

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Visitors to the Hebrew University on Wednesday included the Swiss Study Group; and Dr. F. Meznik, Director of the Austrian Government Information Services.

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Prof. Nathan E. Cohen, Dean of the School of Applied Social Sciences, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, will lecture on "Human Welfare — Everybody's Business" under the auspices of the Paul Baerwald School of Social Work at the Hebrew University today (Thursday), at 8.30 p.m., in Lecture Hall "A," the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School.

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Mr. Gershon Pradkin will address the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club on "The Seminary on Agricultural Methods" at the Club's weekly meeting at Z.O.A. House, 1.15 p.m. today (Thursday).

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

A Memorial Service will be held at the Imperial War Graves Cemetery at Ramle on Remembrance Sunday, November 9, at 11.30 a.m. The public is invited to attend.

Haifa Will Need IL20m. Next Year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — It will cost IL20m. to run this city during the budgetary year beginning next April, as against IL18m. in the current year. A Municipal Council committee comprising members of the coalition and opposition is drawing up a draft budget and will table it at the end of the month.

It is expected to include an eight per cent reserve for possible salary increases, payable if the Cost-of-Living Index goes up. It will also allocate IL3.9m. for the servicing and repayment of loans (IL2.85m. this year).

The city administration is anxious not to raise the rates, but it will have to do some drastic pruning of administrative expenditure.

EXPLOSIVES. — President Prasad opened India's first commercial blasting explosives factory in Calcutta on Wednesday. It is a joint venture of the Government and the Indian subsidiary of Imperial Chemical Industries.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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PETAH TIKVA: Assuta, 7 Stempfer. REHOVOT: Levin, 196 Herzl, 56-1245. RISHON: Strahilevici. HOLON: Rivek, Struma Sq. NATANYA: Assuta.
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LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post November 6, 1958

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court of Justice

Before Justices Agranat, Silberg and Goitein.

Moshe George v. 1. The Minister of Police, 2. The Inspector-General of Police (H. C. 145/58).

Police Disciplinary Court's Judgment Justified

The High Court refused to grant an order *nisi* calling on the respondents to show cause why the judgment and sentence delivered by a police disciplinary tribunal should not be quashed.

The petitioner, Moshe George, a member of the Police Force, was found guilty by a Court of Discipline of taking a bribe and of revealing police information to an unauthorized person. He was sentenced on September 4, 1958, to 12 months' imprisonment. On the next day, September 5, the Minister of Police decided to reduce his sentence to nine months' imprisonment.

George thereupon petitioned to the High Court of Justice for an order *nisi*, which was denied him on the spot, the court reserving its reasons.

One of the arguments of the petitioner's Counsel was based on subsections 7, 8 and 9 of section 18 of the Police Ordinance, which state that:

(7) Any sentence passed by a Court of Discipline shall be subject to confirmation by the Inspector-General . . . If the Inspector-General confirms such sentence the accused shall be punished accordingly and shall, subject to the provisions of subsection (8) hereof, be dismissed from the Force.

(8) Any sentence passed by a Court of Discipline exceeding three months' imprisonment shall be subject to confirmation by the Minister of Police . . .

(9) Every sentence passed by a Court of Discipline shall remain in abeyance until confirmed by the Inspector-General or the Minister of Police, as the case may be . . .

Mr. Linderman and Mr. Simhoni appeared for the petitioner and the Attorney-General for the respondents.

Judgment

Justice Agranat, who delivered the reasoned judgment of the High Court, said that the petitioner's arguments could be divided into three categories. The first contained arguments levelled against the disciplinary court's interpretation of the evidence before it. As the High Court was not sitting as a court of appeal, Justice Agranat said, they could not even consider them.

The second category of arguments, he continued, consisted of allegations that the petitioner had not been given a fair trial by the court. These he dismissed out of hand as having no basis in fact.

Turning to the third category of arguments — which were all of a legal nature — Justice Agranat considered firstly the argument that, in accordance with section 18(7) and 18(8) of the Police Ordinance, every sentence of whatever duration passed by a court of discipline must first be confirmed by the Inspector-General of Police, who serves in the capacity of a first instance of appeal, and sentences of over three months would then be referred further to the Minister who serves as a second instance of appeal. In dismissing this argument he pointed out that the words "as the case may be" in subsection 9 clearly indicate that sentences of up to three months must be confirmed by the Inspector-General only, while sentences of more than three months must be confirmed by the Minister only. There was therefore no fault to find with the sentence imposed on the petitioner on this score.

Evidence of Accomplice

Turning to the petitioner's second argument — that he had been convicted of bribery on the strength of the uncorroborated evidence of the person who had given him the bribe and was hence a party to the offence — Justice Agranat held, firstly, that there had been corroborative evidence from another three witnesses; secondly that as the person who had given the petitioner the bribe was not a member of the Police Force he was not a party to the disciplinary offence committed by the petitioner; and, thirdly, that if reference were made by way of analogy, to the rules of evidence obtaining in the criminal law, it would be seen that in accordance with the Penal Law Revision (Bribery) Law of 1952, a court may convict a person of taking bribes on the single testimony of an accomplice to the offence.

Justice Agranat next considered the argument that section 18(5) of the Police Ordinance requires procedures in a court of discipline to be as nearly as may be in accordance with the Rules of Procedure made under the English Army Act but that the court of discipline in the present case had deviated in two important aspects from these rules by allowing a police inspector to give evidence without taking an oath or making a solemn affirmation, and by not reading the witnesses' evidence to them. In dismissing this argument also, he held that, in accordance with Rule 56 of the English Rules of Procedure, a sentence of a court of discipline which has been confirmed shall be valid notwithstanding any deviation from the rules of procedure, unless it appears that any injustice has been done to the offender. In the present case no injustice had been done to the petitioner by the two deviations from correct procedure cited by his Counsel.

In conclusion, Justice Agranat rejected the argument that, as the petitioner had been dismissed from the Police Force retroactively from September 4, 1958, the Minister could not have confirmed his sentence on September 5, as on that day he was no longer a member of the Force. He pointed out that, in accordance with section 18(7), once a sentence has been confirmed the policeman in question must of necessity be dismissed from the Force. This means, he said, that the notice of dismissal which the petitioner received had derived from the Minister's confirmation of his sentence and could not possibly, therefore, in turn invalidate this confirmation, and thus create a vicious circle.

The petition was dismissed. Reasoned judgment given on October 26, 1958.

Maimon Insists Talmud Is Basic to Judaism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Study of the Talmud is a basis of Judaism, and it is not enough merely to read the Bible, Rabbi Yehuda Leib Hacohen Maimon, Israel's first Minister for Religious Affairs, told a packed Z.O.A. House symposium on "The Bible and Oral Law" on Tuesday. Reading only the Bible led to the approach of the Karaites, who rejected the Talmud, he added.

The symposium, attended also by many secular persons, was opened by Mr. Yitzhak Raphael M.K., who said similar meetings would be held in all parts of the country.

Rabbi Shlomo Sevin, editor of the Talmud Encyclopedia, spoke on the Sabbatical year. Rabbis Unterman and Toledano, Chief Rabbis of Tel Aviv, brought greetings to the assembly.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi being greeted by village boys and girls as they arrived at Abu Ghosh on Wednesday for a visit to the French churches there. Photo by Meerowitz.

PRESIDENT VISITS ABU GHOSH CHURCHES

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The President on Wednesday visited two Catholic churches in the village of Abu Ghosh in the Jerusalem Corridor. This was Mr. Ben-Zvi's first visit to the churches, which are under French protection, since he was elected President.

At the entrance to the village the President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were met with enthusiastic applause from several hundred elementary schoolchildren who showered them with handfuls of flowers. They stopped to talk to several girls. The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were then greeted by the village notables who formed a line on the left side of the path.

The President's entourage included his aide-de-camp, Sgan-Aluf Yosef Carmel, and Mr. David Wilk, head of the Jerusalem Police Division.

At the entrance to the Benedictine Monastery, whose oldest parts date back to Roman times, the President was greeted by M. Andre Favereau, French Consul-General in Jerusalem; Mr. S. B. Yeshaya, Jerusalem District Representative; Mahmud Rashid, Chairman of the Local Council, and Dr. Zanwel Cahana, Director-General of the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

The guests were guided by a Hebrew-speaking priest, Père Roger, through the massive fortress-monastery, which was built to protect the spring over which it is built, and the main Jerusalem-Jaffa highway which passes nearby.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were offered, and drank after uttering a blessing, two glass goblets filled from the spring.

Outside, the President showed particular interest in the Roman part of the monastery, especially one stone which bears the inscription: *Vexillatio Leg(ionis) X Frettensis)*, that is, an auxiliary battalion of the Tenth Legion. (The letters in parenthesis are obliterated).

The second church was the modern Notre Dame de l'Arche d'Alliance, whose statue of the Madonna and Child dominates the landscape, standing on the highest point for many miles around.

Its courtyard, 762 metres above sea level, offers a panoramic view of the Judean Hills with a glimpse of the new City of Jerusalem in the distance.

Sweet Corn and Lima Beans On Hand the Year Round

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two recent additions to the Israeli pantry were introduced on Tuesday, when reporters tasted tender Lima beans and sweet corn, both grown and canned locally. Both these products fit well into crop rotation schemes and high yields are forecast.

The Lima beans, unknown here up to now, are produced by the Gat factory at Givat Haim, who were also the first to put the sweet corn on the market recently.

Settlers from English-speaking countries now at Moshav Habonim are the first to grow sweet corn on a large scale. They process it themselves at their Omer plant which has received an order for 50,000 tins.

Mr. M. Bar-Deroma, head of the Grain and Fodder department of the Ministry of Agriculture, told the press that the crop was destined mainly for export, and profitable deals could be concluded in Europe.

Sweet corn has a higher nutritive content than other maize, an agricultural research station worker declared. It was first grown here eight years ago, and experiments showed that suitable varieties can yield two tons per dunam during a season of 70-80 days. Sown in March, the crop takes advantage of the later winter rains and needs artificial irrigation only once or twice thereafter. The stalk makes a valuable fodder and can be used for silage, he added.

Nutritive Fodder

Lima beans are a popular American crop, but the experiments conducted recently by the agricultural research station have developed varieties particularly suitable to the Israel climate, Mr. Bar-Deroma revealed. While dried peas and beans do not sell well, the new product can be bought — at 650 pruta a tin — still green and succulent and containing Vitamin A. Here again, the plant provides a highly nutritive fodder, yielding about two-three tons per dunam. Since the season does not coincide with that of the pea crop, the canneries can utilize the same machinery for both. Several pickings can be obtained from June to November. Assis and Priman have also started production of this item.

Consumer's Co-op To Open Self-Service Store

TEL AVIV. — A self-service store is to be opened in the basement of the Chen Cinema, Kikar Dizengoff, by the Consumers' Cooperative, the premises having been given up by Supersol, it is learned.

The cooperative grocery had intended opening its self-service shop in the two lower floors of a department store being built by Hamashbir Latzarchan near the Chen building. Now all the seven storeys will be used to display clothing, furniture and household goods.

It is understood that Supersol's intention to sell rationed goods in its Rehov Ben-Yehuda shop has been delayed because it has not yet received the necessary permit from the municipality.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
532, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.
English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service (R.) 6.37 Calisthenics. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Prokofiev: Symphony No.1 in D ("Classical") op. 25 (Conductor: Bruno Walter). Rachmaninoff: Piano Concerto No. 2 in C. minor, op. 18 (Soloist: Artur Rubinstein) 12.00 Sephardic Tunes. 12.30 Lunchtime Music. 12.45 Housewife's Request Programme. 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. News in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 Popular Songs and Melodies. 5.25 Vocal Recital by Mitzi Locker (Soprano) at the Piano: Ruth Menze. Ravel: Five Greek Folk Songs. Ghero: Two Songs. Rimsky-Korsakov: Aria. 5.45 Children's Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Sports. 6.40 Talmud Lesson. 7.20 Ron Ami. 7.35 Woman's Programme. 8.05 Noah's Ark. 8.50 Bible Reading: Samuel I, Chap. 19 & 20. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Programme on Absorption of Immigration by E. Ram. 10.05 At the Knesset. 10.35 Song and Dance Request Programme. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 460, 202.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.30 Mifal Hapayis Drawing. 6.35 "Listen & Understand." 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Mograbit. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Rumanian. 9.15 Hungarian. 9.30 Polish. 9.45 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
497 & 41.97 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—2.15 and 5.30—11.15 p.m. Persian 5.15 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.):
Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.37 "Thursday Column" — Walter Eytan. 6.45 Newsreel. 6.52 Afrikaans Programme.
Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.22 "Thursday Column" — Walter Eytan. 10.30 "Around & About." 10.40 The Week's Portion.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.33 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.15 "Bow & Arrow." 7.45 "Worth Listening To." 8.05 Noah's Ark. 8.50 "Intermezzo." 9.00 News. 9.15 Opera: Moussorgsky: "The Fair of Sorotchinsk." 10.15 Evening Tunes. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.80, 16.84 & 24.80): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Week's Feature.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 495 M.): 7.45 a.m. News. 12.30 p.m. Midday Melodies. 1.30 News. 4.30 Teatime Music. 7.00 News & Commentary. 7.15 Music from Holland. 10.00 20th Century Troubadours. 10.30 "This is our Exile," a feature on a search for inner Peace. 11.00 News.

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SPORT ROUND THE WORLD

By Reuter's Correspondents

LONDON. — The Royal Air Force won the Britannia Shield competition at the Empire Pool, Wembley. The R.A.F. scored 80 points for the four events — boxing, fencing, swimming, and shooting. The Netherlands, defending champions, were runners-up with 77 points.

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LONDON. — Galina Bystrova, of the Soviet Union, improved her own women's world pentathlon record by scoring 4,872 points in the U.S.S.R. athletic championship at Tbilisi. This was 26 points better than her old record set in Odessa in October last year.

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LONDON. — London Day set a record in winning the Cambridgeshire Handicap run over nine furlongs at odds of 22 to one. No horse carrying as much as 131 pounds had ever successfully won with this heavy burden. London Day was top weight of the 33 runners. His victory gave Sir Gordon Richards, who rode the 1953 winner Jupiter, his first success in this race as a trainer.

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MOSCOW. — Anatolio Zhitetsky, of the Soviet Union, beat the world record for the light-heavyweight press during weightlifting contests in Kranatcrsr in the Ukraine. Zhitetsky raised 148 kgs. to beat the world mark of 147.5 kgs held by another Soviet weightlifter, Rudolf Plucklelder.

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BELFAST. — The League of Ireland (Republic of Ireland) beat the Irish League (Northern Ireland), 3-2, in a soccer match here.

Evening Classes At ZOA House

TEL AVIV.—Popular science and Bible, Psychology and American literature are among the subjects being offered at ZOA House in a series of evening classes held in conjunction with the Municipality and Bar-Ilan University. They begin in about a week's time.

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PRAJA SOCIALIST CHIEF SAYS:

India Now Has No Excuse For Not Recognizing Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The argument which prevented India from according recognition to Israel 10 years ago — the need for the one-year-old state to consolidate its position in the Middle East — is, in my party's view, no longer valid, Asoka Mehta, Chairman of the Praja Socialist Party, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Wednesday.

Immediately following independence, India was in need of friendly relations with the Arab states to offset its dispute with Moslem Pakistan. Today, she has firmly established her position in the world, and can afford to establish diplomatic relations with Israel without endangering her ties with the Arabs, Mr. Mehta said.

The party which he heads is the fourth largest in the Indian Parliament, and while its 20 seats may at first glance appear insignificant compared with the Congress Party's 375 in the 500-seat house, it polled 11 per cent of the popular vote in India's last general election.

It belongs to the Asian Socialist Conference, of which Mapai is also a member.

The 47-year-old statesman, a long-time close friend of Gandhi, has held practically every position of leadership in the Praja Party, including that of Secretary General and Treasurer. His particular interest as Deputy Chairman of the parliamentary faction is finance and economics, which, when outlining the points of difference between his and the Congress Party, became apparent by the stress he laid on what he felt was the latter's dilatory implementation of land reform and cooperative encouragement.

He pointed out that the Praja Party, in contrast to the larger Socialist Party, differed from the Congress mainly on method rather than principle. The Socialists were more militant, and in fact regarded the various stages of civil disobedience as the primary weapon for achieving their ends.

On Wednesday, Mr. Mehta was guest of the Histadrut Central Committee for lunch, afterwards going for a visit to Nir Am, on the Gaza Strip border. On Thursday he is to meet Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mrs. Meir.

Mr. Mehta left India two months ago to attend the recent Rhodes conference on Cultural Freedom. After his two-day visit here as a guest of Mapai, he is returning directly to India.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

3.30, 6.45, 8.45

ARNON: Paris Holiday
EDEN: Touch and Go.
ORNA: No Down Payment.
ORION: The Flesh is Weak.
OR GIL: Witness for the Prosecution.
RON: Oh, Mein Papa.
SEMADAR: I'll Cry Tomorrow.
TEL OR: Maigret Sets a Trap.
ZION HALL: The Last Night of Love.
EDISON: Hanneri.
STUDIO: Die Unentschuldigte Stunde.

TEL AVIV

3.30, 7.15, 9.30

ALLENBY: Serenade in Mexico.
ARMON DAVID: Eine Frau die weiss was sie will.
CHEN: Desire Under the Elms.
EDEN: Anbar.
ESTHER: Raintree County. 3.30, 6.45, 9.30.
GAT: One Desire.
MAXIM: Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.
Migdalor: Poor but Handsome.
MOGRABI: The Bridge on the River Kwai. 3.30, 6.45, 9.45.
OPHIR: Three Violent People.
ORION: Sissi die junge Kaiserin.
PEER: Olympia.
SHDEROTH: Der schoenste Tag meines Lebens.
TAMAR: An Angel Passed in Brooklyn. 7.15, 9.15.
TCHELBY: Liebe. 3.15, 5.15, 7.30, 9.30.
TEL AVIV: A Certain Smile. 3.30, 7.15, 9.30.
YARON: The Law and Jake Wade.
ZAMIR: Teufel in Seide.
ZAFON: Aphrodite.

HAIFA

3.30, 6.45, 9

ORION: Raw Wind in Eden.
PEER: The Bridge on the River Kwai, 3, 6, 9.
ATZMON: The Tender Trap.
GAL OR: Intimate Relations.
ARMON: Time Without Pity.
EN DOR: Ek Jhalak. 4.45, 7.15.
ORLY: Porte de Lilas. 6.45, 9.
MORIAH: A King in New York. 6.45, 9.
AMPHITHEATRE: Ten North Frederick.
ORAH: This Angry Age.
MAY: Wild is the Wind.

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4½% War Loan '54/69	90½
3½% Israel Dollar c)	96½
6% Reg. Sterling "A"	96½
Dev. Loan Bonds 4½% f)	105½
4½% Dev. Bonds f)	104½
6½% Dev. Bonds g)	102½
6½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	103½
6½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	103½
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	255
6½% Bonds '58/65 f)	108½
ditto g)	113½
Karen Hayesod 6½% Deb 58/65 f)	105½
ditto g)	108½
6% Deb. 59/68 f)	103
ditto g)	102
Igroth 6½% Deb. 58/65	103½
Bassco 6½% Deb. 58/64 Class "A" f)	104½
Class "B" g)	111½
Bassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	88
Hk. Leumi ord. sh.	147½
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	96½
Hk. Leumi Investment Ord. sh. 'B' reg.	100
Ata ord. 'B' sh.	81½
"Kurdanah" ord. 'B' 7% con. debs. 59/63	82½
"Teva" ord. sh.	85½
Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg.	79
Pass 4% debs. 60/64 reg.	135
Rinr 4% debs. 56/65	82
Ntr 5% pref. sh.	90½
Gen Mortg. Bk. ord sh.	98½
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	72½
5% debs.	90½
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	83½
Meller ord. sh. reg.	54½
Pal. Brewery 8% con. debs.	1090
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	79
Nesher 6% debs "A" 55/64	68½
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	117
Dead Sea Works 5% Deb. reg.	544
Delek ord sh. "Y"	276½
Mekorot pref. sh.	80½
Jordan Exploration Co. Ord. sh. reg.	78
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Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupon; d) ex-dividend; e) ex-right; f) linked with $; g) linked with C.o.L.

OIL. — Crude oil production in Western Europe last year totalled 11,930,000 tons or one-ninth of consumption, the Petroleum Information Bureau in London announced on Wednesday.

אסם קנית - טוב עשית

SOCIETA' DANTE ALIGHIERI
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Members and Friends are hereby invited to the opening of the
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(which will include courses in Italian Language and Literature)
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Dr. Enrico GIOTTA LUCIFERO

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Paul Baerwald School of Social Work
A Lecture on
Human Welfare—Everybody's Business
will be given by
Prof. Nathan E. Cohen
Dean, School of Applied Social Sciences, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio
Tonight, Thursday, at 8.30 p.m., in Lecture Hall "A," Hebrew University — Hadassah Medical School

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• **Entertainment:—** Olympia, Parisian musical. Peer, Rehov Yermiah, 8.45. Last Tel Aviv Performance.

• **Exhibitions:—** "Wiso on View," Wiso Tourist Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, 9-3. "Sculpture in Israel — 1957-1958." Tel Aviv Museum, 10-4. Paintings by Chaya Schwartz, Artists' Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Tourist Service:—** Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239. Wiso Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825, 8-9.30 p.m.

• **Z.O.A. House:—** Opening of Packaging Exhibit, 4.

• **Theatre:—** Cameri, "Look Homeward, Angel," 8.30.

HAIFA

• **Symposium:—** Golden Age Club: Members report impressions of their trips abroad. Registration for sightseeing tour to Herzliya coming week. Hillel Lodge, 2 Wedgwood Ave., Mt. Carmel, 5 p.m. Guests welcome.

• **Exhibitions:—** Exhibition of Consumer Goods: fabrics, furniture & tableware. Industrial Design Exhibition Centre, Beit Hakranoth, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Theatre:—** Ohel, "The Respectful Prostitute," Armon, 9.

• **Ballet:—** Les Ballets Babilée, 4, 9.

KIRYAT HAYIM

• **Theatre:—** Habimah, "Street of Stairs," 8.

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo:—** Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-6.

• **Exhibitions:—** New Exhibitions: 10 Years of Archaeological Activities, 1948-1958. Department of Antiquities, 26 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1; 2.30-5. 1) Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art; 2) Ancient pottery, glass and textiles from various civilizations; 3) Samples of Primitive Sculpture, 17-18 Cent. Dutch paintings; Moshe Oved Memorial Exhibition; French Contemporary Art (in re-opened 2nd floor galleries), Bezalel Museum, 9-1; 2.30-5. Watercolours by Henry Miller, Jerusalem Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Tours:—** Hebrew University conducted tour in English, daily at 10 a.m. New University Campus. Every Tuesday leaving Administration Bldg., 11 a.m., a visit to Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School in Ein Karem. Phone (until Monday) 62980 for bookings. Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061 Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Film Shows:—** Israel Films daily, 11.30 Keren Hayesod Hall.

Today's Postbags

The Weather

Forecast: Partly cloudy.

Weather Synopsis: High pressure ridge developing over region accompanied by improvement of weather conditions.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	73	12	20	21
Tiberias	51	18	28	28
Haifa Port	65	16	25	25
Natanya	89	15	26	26
Tel Aviv Kirya	65	16	25	26
Tel Aviv Port	69	17	24	25
Lydda Airport	57	16	26	27
Jerusalem	47	13	21	23
Beersheba	43	11	25	26
Sdom	42	17	28	28
Eilat	48	20	29	29

"A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

The Chilean Minister to Israel and Mrs. Francisco Valdivieso, after a vacation abroad.

Dr. E. Shinnar, head of the Israel Restitution Office in Cologne, for consultations with the Ministers of Finance, Foreign Affairs and Commerce and Industry (by El Al).

Mr. Georg Singer, the conductor, from Vienna, after a fortnight's concert tour of Germany and Austria (by K.L.M.).

Mr. David Dietz, the author and Science Editor of the Scripps-Howard newspaper syndicate in the U.S., for a two-week visit as guest of the Government and the Weismann Institute (by El Al).

Mr. Charles H. Jordan, Director General of the Joint Distribution Committee's Overseas Operations, to join the U.J.A. study mission and for consultations with Government and Jewish Agency officials (by El Al).

Dr. Fritz Meznik, head of the Austrian Government Press Office, for a nine-day visit as guest of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (by El Al).

Mr. Yosef Tchornitzky, Director of the Latin American Department of Keren Hayessod, after launching the United Jewish Appeal campaign in several South American countries (by Air France).

DEPARTURES

Mr. Maurice Sexton, World President-elect of the Junior Chamber, after a visit as guest of the Israel Junior Chamber (by B.E.A.).

TOURISTS and Israelis can buy diamond jewellery, cameras, Swiss watches, French perfumes. Cigarettes ($1.40 per carton), Scotch Whisky ($2.50 per bottle), tax free at the DUTY FREE SHOP, Lydda Airport, before boarding their plane. Only foreign currency accepted. (Advt.)

THE FORTNIGHTLY convoy went up to Mt. Scopus on Wednesday, taking the customary supplies and change of guard and Hebrew University and Hadassah staff members. Fifteen University and Hadassah workers went along as visitors, returning later in the day.

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EIGHTY-TWO immigrants arrived by air from Persia on Wednesday. They were immediately taken to Zichron Ya'acov where homes have been prepared for them.

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THE ESTABLISHMENT of the Dimona Local Council, and the settlement's removal from the authority of the Tamar Regional Council were gazetted in "Reshumot" on Wednesday by the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda.

SIEFF RECEPTION

The British Zionist Federation on Wednesday evening gave a farewell reception to Mr. Israel Sieff, who is scheduled to leave Israel this morning (Thursday) after a three-week visit. Mr. Sieff was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Rebecca Sieff. Among the guests were the British Ambassador, Sir Francis Rundall; British Embassy officials, the Executive Director of the Joint Palestine Appeal in Britain and Mrs. Harry Shine; the representative of the British Council in Israel and Mrs. Tahourdin, and the Joint General Manager of the Bank Leumi, Mr. David Israeli.

RATION NEWS

The distribution of the November frozen meat ration is beginning this week throughout the country. The ration is 135 grams per person, at 190 pruta per ration or IL1.400 per kilo.

CARMEL TELLS PRESS

Final Decision on Shipyard Tender Expected Shortly

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Director-General of the Ministry of Transport, Mr. P. Ginsburg, leaves on Thursday for France to participate in final negotiations for building a shipyard in this country, Mr. Moshe Carmel, the Minister of Transport, told the press on Wednesday.

Tenders to establish a shipyard in Haifa had been received from Japan, Holland and France. The Japanese offer had been studied in detail here, and the Director General's trip to France, and possibly also to Holland, was being made to obtain final clarification before a decision on which tender to accept is made shortly, the Minister said.

According to the master plan for Ashdod port, prepared by a U.S. firm and received here some days ago, "the place presents no natural obstacles to the establishment of a deep sea port," Mr. Carmel said. A committee of experts was appointed on Tuesday to examine the master plan, and within six months an international tender would be issued, he reported.

Work on the port was expected to begin in 1959, and the first of its four stages would be completed by 1962, permitting the loading and discharging of 500,000 tons of cargo.

The Minister said there were differences of opinion within the Government whether to extend the railway line to Eilat. To make this project worthwhile, the proposed Negev railway would have to carry 750,000 tons of freight, some Government circles maintain. The Beersheba-Dimona line was being laid and would definitely be extended to the Oron phosphate deposits.

'Gov't Must Approve Bus Wage Changes'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Minister of Transport on Wednesday sent a letter to the bus cooperatives ruling out any change in their wage structure without Transport Ministry approval, Mr. Carmel told the press here.

The three bus cooperatives earlier in the day had announced that they would set up a joint body to explain their policy on wages and their attitude towards proposed public control. A meeting will be held on Friday between bus cooperative representatives and Mr. M. Bartal, head of the Histadrut committee appointed to implement wage reforms.

It appears that the bus cooperatives will again show a deficit this fiscal year. Mr. Carmel hoped that fares would not have to be raised, but only after talks with the Finance Ministry — to be held shortly — would it be decided whether to continue paying subsidies to the cooperatives or to increase the price of tickets.

The three-man Government committee set up to investigate the Musrara Bridge bus accident, in which 11 persons lost their lives, and not yet completed its enquiry. But it was clear that the narrowness of the bridge over the wadi was not the reason for the disaster, Mr. Carmel said.

Student Ass'n Backs Technion Strikers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Presidium of the Israel Students Association on Wednesday declared its wholehearted support for the Technion students' strike against the recent increase in tuition fees.

The Presidium, which met here on Wednesday, demanded official intervention in the dispute to enable the striking students to return to their classes. It claimed that the issue could be settled while the students continued with their studies.

Bentov Asian Trip Raises Opposition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A proposal that the Minister of Development, Mr. M. Bentov, head a three-man commercial delegation scheduled to leave shortly for Asia and the Far East, has met with opposition from the Foreign Ministry as well as from other Ministries, it was reliably learned in Jerusalem.

It is understood that the Ministry of Development has proposed the dispatch of a high ranking delegation to Asia and the Far East in order to investigate the possibilities of exporting fertilizers, phosphates and potash there. The Ministry of Development is responsible for the Government companies producing these items.

The objections to Mr. Bentov's heading the mission are understood to come mainly from the Foreign Ministry, which claims that the presence of a Minister in the delegation could prove harmful to Israel's relations in this area. A Minister heading such a delegation would have to be accorded an official welcome, and this might inject a political note which could hamper the business success of the mission. The Foreign Ministry also claimed that the time is not yet ripe for a second official mission to these countries as the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, had recently visited the same area.

Domestic Politics

It is learned that the delegation intends to visit Japan, the Philippines, Burma, Thailand, Australia and India.

It has also been suggested in political circles in Jerusalem that Mr. Bentov's insistence on heading the delegation stems from domestic political considerations, as Mapam wishes to appear as the champion of closer Israel relations with Asia and Africa before the coming elections here.

The proposed members of the delegation are Mr. A. Goldberg, General Manager of Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd.; Aluf M. Shamir, General Manager of the Negev Phosphates Company and Aluf M. Makleff, General Manager of the Dead Sea Potash Works.

JORDANIANS RETURN KIDNAPPED TEENAGER

A 15-year old boy was returned to Israel by the Jordan authorities on Wednesday through Mandelbaum Gate. The boy had been snatched by the Arab Legion 10 days ago while he was walking near the border in the vicinity of Petah Tikva.

Yeshiva Heads Meet Peres on Call-Up

Representatives of the *yeshivot* and the Director-General of the Ministry of Defence, Mr. Shimon Peres, met for two-and-a-half hours on Wednesday morning to discuss ways and means of providing *yeshiva* students with basic military training "without impinging upon the needs of Torah and the framework of *yeshiva* studies," *The Jerusalem Post* learned.

The *yeshiva* heads asked Mr. Peres to convey their gratitude to the Minister of Defence for taking their views into account both in the past and also with respect to future procedure. They asked for time to consider the problem and submit their proposals.

Sole Criterion For Adulthood is Age

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

If a lawyer should be asked today, "At what age does a person in Israel become an adult, entitled to enter into contracts, and acquire and transfer property?" no definite answer could be given, the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, said in the Knesset on Wednesday.

He was presenting for its first reading a Bill on Legal Competence, characterizing it as not one of the Basic Laws, but a fundamental law nonetheless. Debate on the bill was deferred.

While the bill defines legal competence in general — repealing the relevant sections of the Mejelle which have applied hitherto — its principal innovation is that it fixes one uniform age of majority for civil matters.

Unlike the Mejelle, which distinguishes between a minor capable of discernment and a minor incapable of discernment, thus requiring an individual test in each case, the present bill declares that age is the only criterion. A boy or girl who has attained the age of 18 is considered an adult.

From Cradle to Grave

The first section of the law states that every person is competent to be the subject of rights and obligations "from the time of his birth until his death."

But this competency is subject to certain limitations in the case of minors, and where a court has issued a ruling restricting this competency, for example, where a person is mentally incapable of handling his affairs.

The bill also lays down the limitations to a minor's legal actions, and the circumstances under which they may be voided.

MONEY CIRCULATION RISES BY IL5m.

Currency in circulation rose by IL5,125,421 during the week ending Tuesday, to IL274,991,461, the Bank of Israel reported on Wednesday. Gold increased by IL801; foreign currency reserves fell by IL1,364,391; and promissory notes and bills of exchange increased by IL8,489,011.

H.U. Opens Social Work School

Social work in Israel entered the academic field on Wednesday when the Hebrew University's new Paul Baerwald School of Social Work was ceremonially declared open. The Wise Auditorium on the campus was packed to capacity with members of the profession, and representatives of the Ministry of Social Welfare and the American Joint Distribution Committee who are partners in the venture.

The school's inauguration brought a spate of messages of greeting: from the Prime Minister — "essential for the absorption of immigrants" — from the Chairman of the AJDC, Mr. Edward M.M. Warburg, and from the Mayors of Tel Aviv (where there is a branch of the school) and Ramat Gan, as well as one from Mr. Paul Baerwald, the veteran American AJDC and social welfare leader.

The University's President, Prof. Binyamin Mazar, stressed that the School's three year course combined theory and field work. But the highlight of the occasion was an address by Dr. Eileen Blackey, Director of the School, who spoke entirely in Hebrew—after only a year in Israel — and drew a resounding ovation. The history of social work in Israel was outlined by the Director-General of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Mr. M. Barsella. The Vice-Chairman of the ADJC, Mr. Moses A. Leavitt declared that the school added lustre to the work of his organization.

The dedicatory address on "Social Work in the Light of History" was delivered by Prof. Nathan E. Cohen, Dean of the School of Applied Social Sciences, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Congratulations were also received from the U.S. Council of Social Work Education, and the New York School of Social Work, Columbia University.

Mrs. FDR Chair In Humanities at H.U.

NEW YORK (INA). — The establishment of a $100,000 "Eleanor Roosevelt Chair in Humanities" at the Hebrew University was announced here on Wednesday at a luncheon honouring Mrs. Roosevelt.

The announcement was made as Mrs. Roosevelt received the "Woman of the Year" citation at the sixth annual luncheon of the Women's Division of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. Proceeds of the luncheon will go towards the fund for the chair. Mrs. Roosevelt's citation, an illuminated scroll flown here from Israel for the occasion, was presented to her inserted in a limited-edition copy of the "Book of Ruth" illustrated by the late Arthur Szyk. The presentation was made by Dr. Israel S. Wechsler, Honorary President of the Friends of the University.

Sir Leslie Munro, New Zealand's Ambassador to the U.S. and former President of the U.N. General Assembly, told the 700 guests at the luncheon that the independent survival of Jordan is essential to the stability of the Middle East. The diplomat, who was the main speaker at the function, warned that the political disappearance of Jordan would "precipitate a crisis affecting the half million Arab refugees now resident in that country and endanger peaceful relations between Israel and her neighbours."

Toledano: Religious Party Unfair to Sefardim

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Rabbi Y. M. Toledano, Sefardi Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, on Wednesday charged the Ministry of Religious Affairs with discrimination against the Sefardi and Oriental communities.

At a press conference called at his residence, Rabbi Toledano singled out the National Religious Party as responsible for the alleged discrimination.

"Since the differences between the communities are in religious tradition, it is only just that at least half of the officials of the Ministries of Religious Affairs and Social Welfare and the Religious Councils be Sefardim," Rabbi Toledano declared.

"I sent a letter of complaint to Mr. (Moshe) Shapiro when he was Minister of Religious Affairs five years ago. Although he claimed the matter would be cleared up, nothing has been done until this day," Rabbi Toledano said. A similar letter was sent recently to Mr. Ben-Gurion when he assumed the Religious Affairs portfolio.

Rabbi Toledano declared that he would like to have purely religious affairs freed of all political colouring, and charged that the discrimination had been directed at Sefardim who did not identify themselves with the National Religious Party.

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University is Centre Of Our Destiny, Says Eban

"The Hebrew University is the centre and core of our people's destiny," declared Ambassador Abba Eban at a reception held at the University on Tuesday in honour of Mrs. Lina Halper, his aunt and one of the University's most active and devoted friends in England.

The gathering present included Mrs. Eban, University teachers and members of the administrative staff, as well as personal friends of Mrs. Halper.

Professor B. Mazar, the University President, who paid a glowing tribute to Mrs. Halper, announced that it had been decided to set up a plaque in the Jewish National and University Library, permanently recording the University's gratitude and appreciation of her outstanding services.

In expressing her thanks for the honour tendered her, Mrs. Halper said that her work for the University was an outcome of her love for learning transmitted to her by her father (Mr. Eban's grandfather) and her late husband.

Mr. Eban said that this was "a moment of great emotion for all our family." He referred to Mrs. Halper's husband, the late Professor Benzion Halper, as "one of the most illustrious pioneers in Arabic and oriental studies" in the world of American scholarship.

Fined for Blocking Ashkelon Traffic

ASHKELON. — The fines of the nine residents of the Gimmel ma'bara who were found guilty by Magistrate Reuven Hagan of illegal assembly and obstructing traffic in Tuesday's demonstration, were paid on Wednesday by their neighbours in the ma'bara. The ma'bara residents were demonstrating for improved housing conditions.

The nine men, aged 17 to 26, pleaded guilty.

Magistrate Hagan fined each of them IL20 and gave them a 30-day suspended sentence for a three-year period. During the hearing, ma'bara dwellers assembled outside the courthouse, although order was maintained without police intervention.

The men were defended by Mr. J. G. Goren who offered his services without payment.

Police Claim They've Smashed Large Currency Smuggling Ring

TEL AVIV. — Three persons are under arrest and a fourth has been released on IL2,000 bail on suspicion of leading a currency smuggling ring which did IL500,000 worth of "business" between Israel, the U.S. and Canada.

Blitz Pleads 'Not Guilty' to Murder

TEL AVIV. — The trial opened here on Wednesday of Rafael Blitz, who is charged with the murder of Ya'acov Piatelli near the Trafon Cinema in August 1957. Blitz, 24, who pleaded not guilty, was said to have fired into a crowd outside the cinema while attempting to hold up the box office.

He was apprehended by chance more than a year after the killing, when an accomplice to others of his alleged crimes, who was picked up by police on other charges, claimed that Blitz had boasted of carrying out the Trafon Cinema murder.

The police claim that, following questioning, Blitz confessed to killing Piatelli.

The hearings before the District Court, which is composed of the Relieving President, Judge M. Kennet and Judges Y. Gavison and Y. Zundelewicz, were preceded by a brief legal dispute between counsel, in which Mr. A. Frank, for the defence, claimed that the charge sheet was unclear and said he would conduct the defence as if his client were being charged with attempted robbery and not murder. The prosecutor countered that the charges of attempted robbery, shooting at and threatening the crowd outside the cinema, should be considered both as separate charges and as part of the main charge of murder.

Court Rules

The Court ruled that the charge of murder should stand.

The rest of the day's hearings were devoted to testimony by eyewitnesses of the incident in which Blitz is said to have attempted to hold-up the cinema's box office clerk and, while making his getaway, to have fired into the crowd, fatally wounding Piatelli.

The Court also visited the cinema building together with Blitz who was taken in handcuffs and under heavy police guard. The hearings will continue on Thursday (today). *(Itim)*

REPORTS THEFT OF IL17,000 IN GEMS

TEL AVIV. — Diamonds worth IL17,000 were reported stolen on Tuesday from a newly established polishing factory in Kiryat Gat.

The factory owner, Mr. Mordecai Levy, told police that towards evening he was attacked by an unidentified person who struck him on the head. Mr. Levy said that he had lost consciousness and when he came to, he discovered that his keys were missing. On examining the office safe he found that the gems had been stolen. *(Itim)*

62-YEAR-OLD JAILED FOR IMMORAL ACT

TEL AVIV. — Sixty-two-year-old Moshe Shimon of Pardess Katz was on Wednesday sentenced to six months in jail and fined IL600 after being found guilty of committing an immoral act on an eight-year-old girl. He pleaded not guilty. *(Itim)*

Police Swoop On Bank of Israel

With sirens screaming, Jerusalem police vans on Wednesday evening sped from their base in the Russian Compound across Rehov Jaffa to the Bank of Israel building.

The police jumped out of the cars with drawn revolvers and loaded sten-guns. They surrounded the building and began a meticulous search, outside and inside, as other police kept a crowd from forming on the pavement.

The cause of the alarm?

A faulty connection in the Bank's automatic warning system.

Yehezkel Ashkenazi, P-T Councillor, Dies

PETAH TIKVA. — Mr. Yehezkel Ashkenazi, manager of the local National Insurance Institute branch and a member of the Petah Tikva Municipal Council, died suddenly on Wednesday morning while at work. He was 60. He is survived by his wife and four sons.

Safety Drive In Haifa Schools

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — "It's better to be safe than an invalid" is the slogan under which the Municipal Education Department and the Health Ministry are conducting the annual "Health Week" here. The campaign is to begin today (Thursday).

Special lessons in school are intended to make over 30,000 school age children more safety-minded at home, at school and in the street. Prizes will be distributed at the end of the week to outstanding pupils.

Although all Haifa schoolchildren are insured against accidents, the high rate of injuries is causing concern. It is hoped that "Health Week" will make youngsters more alert and cautious.

A circular is to be sent to parents to obtain their cooperation in the campaign.

Reckless Driver Imprisoned, Fined

PETAH TIKVA. — A 66-year-old truck driver was sentenced on Wednesday to two months imprisonment and fined IL300 for reckless driving.

Magistrate H. S. Nahmani found Moshe Pashut, of Tel Aviv, guilty of recklessness in damaging an army tender when he backed up his truck on October 18, 1957. The Magistrate activated a suspended sentence passed on Pashut in 1956 for causing a death.

GROUND LEVELLING for the Kaiser-Frazer plant to be set up in the Ashkelon industrial zone was begun this week by Solel Boneh.

CHESS STANDINGS

HAIFA. — The results and standings (in brackets), after Wednesday night's matches in the International Chess Tournament in Haifa are as follows:

Szabo (4) — defeated Diner (1½); Resbevsky (3½) defeated Burstein (1½); Persits (2½) beat Rosenberg (2½); Blumenfeld (1 and 1 adjourned) drew with Alont (2); Wade (3½) drew with Porath (1½ and 1 adjourned); Dunkelblum (3½) drew with Van den Berg (2½); Csorniak (1½) and Branicki (1½) unfinished.

Koor Reshuffles Top Chiefs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Koor, the industrial division of Solel Boneh, has undergone a major executive reshuffle following the reorganization of the parent body.

Five new tops posts have been created and assigned to new managers, some of them entirely unknown names in the Histadrut managerial constellation.

Mr. A. Banai, a member of Kibbutz Daphne and a veteran member of Ahdut Ha'avoda, has been put in control of the key industrial complex of factories manufacturing glass, rubber, electrical appliances and electronic goods.

The management of Koor Industries has been organized into eight departments with five members of the management in charge.

Mr. Banai also will take over the key Department of Planning and Development.

Mr. M. Bitan, the veteran Koor executive, heads the Department for Administration and Industrial Relations. Mr. M. Yulish (hitherto manager of the Yuval Gad pipe works at Ashkelon) takes over the Operations Department; Mr. M. Alphen, Mapam representative in the Koor management, heads the Departments of Controller and Budgets; and Mr. B.K. Meerovich (treasurer of Koor) retains control of the Solcoor Agency Ltd. and assumes authority over the Finance Department. Messrs. Banai, Alphen and Yulish are newcomers to the Koor management. Mr. Banai was formerly manager of the rubber plant at Daphne.

Under the new set-up, four of the new executives will also have direct control over individual industrial concerns. It will be noted that Mr. Bitan, who was a top Koor executive prior to the reorganization, has not been put in charge of any plant. From now on, Mr. Alphen will deal with important metal works such as Vulcan Ltd., Hamat, Merchavim, Manoim, Ogen, and Hayama Ltd. and the shipyard to be built in Haifa, should they come under Koor's wing.

Mr. Banai will control works such as Phoenicia, Hamgaper, the Zeva paint works, Matsberim batteries, Izram, Tel-Rad and Tadir.

Mr. Yulish will manage cement and ceramics works such as Yuval Gad, Harsa and Lapid.

The Koor management also decided that the Acre Steel Town and the Acre pipe plant will fall under the direct charge of Koor's managing director, Mr. Y. Eilam, together with Mr. Meerowitch and Mr. Yulish.

Last week, Koor received $1.5m. from Ampal, the Histadrut investment agency in the U.S., as its share in the stock issue which Ampal floated last year in the U.S.

It will be recalled that Koor received permission from the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to float shares totalling $3m. This decision to act independently met with the opposition of Ampal, which wished to remain the sole agency for such Histadrut activities in the U.S. At the time, Ampal agreed to purchase shares of this issue to the amount of $1.5m. Thus it would seem that with this transfer of funds, the remaining share issue has been shelved.

Bank May Ease Fuel Credit Squeeze for Settlements

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An easing of the present credit squeeze imposed by fuel companies supplying settlements was foreseen on Tuesday after farm delegates met with the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. David Horowitz. They sought the Bank's assistance in relieving the fuel shortage which resulted last week following a decision by the fuel companies to restrict the credits they grant the settlements.

The fuel companies themselves had asked the Bank for credit to serve as working capital to finance their imports. The Bank at the time refused and advised them to tighten their own credit terms to their customers. It is believed that the decision of the fuel firms to put the agricultural settlements at the top of the "no credit" list stems from an estimate that they can muster enough political support to put pressure on the Bank to extend credits to this vital sector of the economy.

The Bank has not yet taken a decision on the request as it views the extending of credit as an element in the constant and worrisome rise in the means of payment.

It has been estimated that the fuel companies extended about IL50m. in credits during a period of between six and eight weeks. The companies used the credit grants as a means of attracting customers in an industry in which prices are Government-controlled, and hence cannot be cut in a competitive "war."

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Owing to the large demand for tickets, the Tenth Anniversary Committee wishes to inform the public that entry tickets and subscriptions are available for early purchase at Kanaf, 83, Allenby Road, Tel Aviv, and at Beit Helen Keller on the evenings of the tournament, beginning at 6 p.m.
Only invited persons and holders of subscription tickets for the entire series will be admitted to the closing ceremony.

New Chamber Music Recitals in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Musical masterpieces which have not found a place in popular repertoires are to be performed here at monthly chamber music recitals sponsored by Miss Bathsebee de Rothschild, Mr. A. Peri, chairman of the Israel-America Cultural Fund, told the press on Monday.

There will be six such Saturday recitals at the Tel Aviv Museum this season. The Museum will continue with its regular chamber music series on the other Saturdays of the winter months, under the direction of Mr. Moshe Kanuik, its Administrative Director.

The Cultural Fund, through the assistance of which the recitals are to be given, will also make the financial arrangements to enable performers in the new series to rehearse as much as necessary, Mr. Gary Bertini, the musical director of the series, reported. Admission prices will be moderate and reductions will be granted to students and to members of "Jeunesses Musicales."

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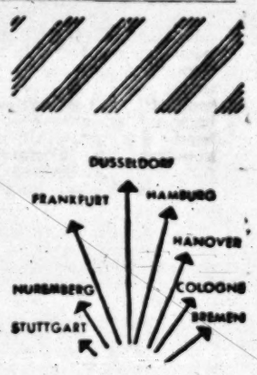

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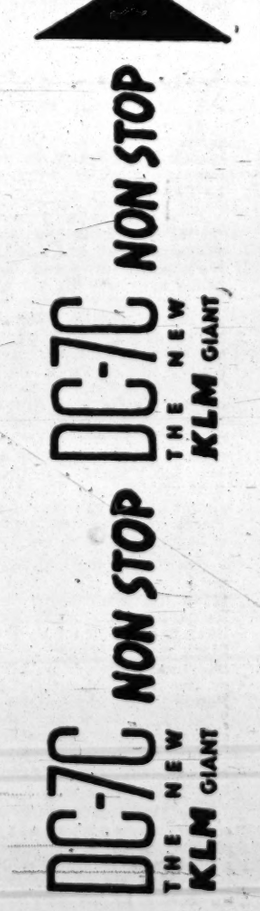

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THE American election results have not come as a very great surprise, for mid-term voting tends quite often to present the President with a Congress of the opposite party, in this case with a Democratic opposition twice as strong as his own adherents. Quite aside from the specific issues involved, Americans like to see new faces in office, and this factor may well have been the operative one in New York too, where Mr. Rockefeller's vigorous campaigning and public personality apparently offered an attractive alternative. The recession, with its attendant unemployment, has been a potent factor in the Republican defeat in some areas, and the fact that production has climbed back to its pre-recession level has apparently not impressed the electorate, for the unemployment issue is much more immediate.

ELECTION RESULTS

The tremendous agricultural surpluses that have accumulated under the Federal price-support programme have affected market prices for the milk producers in the northern Middle West and for the wheat, corn and hog growers in the south and west, resulting in rural discontent which has been further aggravated by the lowering of price supports to reduce the surpluses. While the Republican administration can hardly be wholly blamed for this, it has served as the target for the farmers' resentment. These two important economic factors, the recession and rural uneasiness, were opportune issues from the Democratic point of view. Most of the growing population of the expanding cities tends to be Democratic.

It would probably be a mistake to think that the Far Eastern or Middle Eastern situations had much effect on the voting, for mid-term elections very rarely turn on foreign policy issues, and observers who have toured the States this autumn have found voters absorbed in domestic questions. Nor is the voting a reliable index of Mr. Eisenhower's popularity, for poll-takers and local pressmen claim that criticism of the President hardly exceeds what it was two years ago, a presidential election year.

On the one real nation-wide issue, that of the trade unions, which the Republican candidates have been painting a deep black and accusing of an inordinate power-hunger, vs. the open shop which the Republicans have named "the right to work," the electorate has apparently indicated its preference for the more moderate Democratic approach.

The Democrats will of course be especially pleased with their great accretion of strength since it enables them to stand up better to the disaffection of those parts of the traditionally Democratic South which are opposed to what they consider to be a too intensive pursuit of integration. The Republicans, after having pushed Senator Knowland into political suicide by getting him to run for the governorship of California, which he has lost, can console themselves with the prospect of Mr. Rockefeller as a rival to vice-president Nixon as potential 1960 presidential timber, and the fact that presidential election years very often reverse the results of mid-term voting.

On the whole the Democratic landslide will make for a more liberal Congress in the coming two years. It is to be hoped that unlike liberal and left movements in certain European countries, the new accession of Democratic strength in Congress will not affect the increasingly realistic trend of American foreign policy, insofar as Congress influences the State Department or the Administration generally. For the latter have apparently come to recognize the Nasserite danger for what it is: the most unsettling and destructive force in the Middle East.

Nobody Shot Himself For Pasternak

By Edward Crankshaw

LONDON (OFNS).—A SOVIET writer has asserted the right to act as a private person. His colleagues have declared that no such right exists and are punishing him for his presumption. This is the essence of the Pasternak affair. Blinded, as we are, by indignation, let us cling to it. Indignation is necessary and desirable. It has to be expressed. It may even achieve something. But in itself it is not enough. We have to try to see what happened in Moscow.

The Russians have always set too much store by the State, and seem to find it impossible to grasp the elementary point that where there is only one employer the scum which rises to the top becomes a damaging concentration.

"In front of that dreary, grey crowd of helpless people there passed a great, wise and observant man; he looked at all these dreary inhabitants of his country, and with a sad smile, with a tone of gentle but deep reproach, with anguish in his face and in his heart, in a beautiful and sincere voice, he said to them: "'You live badly my friends. It is shameful to live like that.'"

Those are the closing words from Gorki's wonderful little memoir of Chekhov. And during this past week, brooding constantly on the fate of the man who seems to me Russia's greatest poet since Chekhov, that passage has been running through my head. I have found myself thinking not at all about the men who are supposed to run the Soviet Union, of Mr. Khrushchev, of the Party activists, of the whole lugubrious and sterile apparatus of State power.

Reforming Tsar

Some sort of autocracy there has been in Russia for centuries. It will be there for years to come. Mr. Khrushchev, in his role of a reforming Tsar, is doing his best. He knows that under Stalin all mental activity, except in certain selected fields, was deliberately paralysed, and this seems to him a bad thing: the spirit has to be released from its cage, but it also has to be kept on a string. This does not work. It never has worked. But this does not, and will not, prevent Russian autocrats from trying to make it work. We may feel towards Mr. Khrushchev as we feel towards a child who clips the wings of his pet linnet and then pulls out its feathers because it will not fly.

We have to go deeper than politicians, as Chekhov did 50 years ago. Chekhov had nothing but contempt for the autocracy, but he did not rail against it. He addressed himself to human beings.

Pasternak

And so brooding on Pasternak who wrote his great novel to say, among other things (and not only to the Russians), "You live badly, my friends. It is shameful to live like that," I find myself thinking of human beings. I think of the men and women who, last Monday, expelled this great figure from their midst, deprived him of the title of Soviet writer, forbade him to earn his bread by writing.

I see row upon row of them, familiar faces: the embattled writers of the Soviet Union. Embattled? ... Many of them I have met and talked with; one or two are my friends. Some are as good men as you will find anywhere. Many have suffered under Stalin, sometimes with dignity. Nearly all, when Stalin died, hastened to express themselves about the state of the arts in Soviet Russia in language far more scathing than would be decent in any foreigner. Some were brave enough to resist the new encroachments of the Party, alarmed by the violence of the first thaw, until the summer of last year, until Mr. Khrushchev had personally talked to them, coaxed them, reasoned with them, threatened them no fewer than three times. And yet all voted for Pasternak's expulsion from their Union, or, if they did not, allowed it to be given out that their vote had been unanimous. Why?

The Good at Heart

I am not talking about the full-time members of the Soviet Establishment, like the Secretary of the Union, Surkov, or about the venal element, or about those consumed with personal jealousy of the genius who had been allowed to keep silent for so long and to get away with so much. Their equivalents exist in every country although, again, in other countries they are not sheltered and sponsored by State power. I am talking only of those who are good men at heart, some of them first-class writers too, who know all about Pasternak, and all about the demoralizing (to say the least) effect of State (or Party) control of the arts. Why did they vote?

"At moments," to quote Gorky again on Chekhov, "out of the grey mass one hears the sound of a shot: Ivan or Treplev has guessed what he ought to do and has died." Nobody shot himself at that meeting of the Writers' Union. Everybody voted one way.

Formidable Group

What were they afraid of? The ones who knew? They are not afraid of Siberia any more. As a body they are a formidable force. They, and their families, can be made to suffer deprivation. But they are too important to the Government to be destroyed. Even if they feel, as some no doubt do, that the act of the Swedish committee was a provocation, part of the cold war; even if they feel that Sholokhov or Leonov deserve more than Pasternak the Nobel prize; even if they feel that Pasternak himself committed a disloyal act by accepting the prize—even granted all this, how can they bring themselves to drive a good man into the wilderness, condemn a colleague (they all know he is a genius) to the outer darkness, and associate themselves with the obscene ravings of the Zaslavskys and the Semichastnys? There can be only one reason: deep in their hearts they too believe that the private person does not exist, that there is some magic in the community which raises it above the conscious particles which give it life. And while they believe this there will always be a Khrushchev.

'Who Was Rembrandt?' at Hazorea

THE "Who Was Rembrandt?" Exhibition, organized by the Dutch Institute for International Cultural Relations and already seen in the north at Ein Harod (*Jerusalem Post* — April 18), is now at Wilfrid Israel House, Hazorea. It consists of an interesting documentary account which seeks to place Rembrandt's creativity in the setting of his life. Thus, around his pictures you have others which may have influenced him and, among his own paintings, a particular emphasis on self-portraits at every age and portraits he painted of his family. Especially significant are the extracts from critical opinions during and after his life-time, the earliest referring to a "certain Leyden miller's son" who was already highly esteemed but, in the writer's view, prematurely so. Rembrandt was then 22 years old.

At Hazorea a tilt from the documentary towards the artistic is given by the addition of large coloured reproductions of Rembrandt's paintings from the Tel Aviv Museum.

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KEEPING POSTED

FEW stories are calculated to appeal to the heart as does the report of the white mouse — we trust its mother had named it David — which turned on its particular Goliath, the snake in the Tel Aviv zoo whose dinner it was supposed to be, bit its head off, and began on what must have been an ample meal. We could not help noticing that it was an Israel-born mouse, a *sabra*, faced with the menace of an Egyptian snake — of course that is what happens on occasion. Give people no choice, and it is astonishing what they will do. When British forces last

withdrew from this part of the world, in May 1948, there used to be the most gruesome speculation in some English papers concerning the way in which the Jewish mouse would be swallowed by the Arab snake, once the keeper had gone and shut the gate, so to speak. Now the last British paratroopers have left Amman after a quiet three-month stay whose greatest hazard was boredom. We cannot say that we are sorry that the press predictions, notoriously inaccurate, now tend in the opposite direction. Egypt, with a steady Soviet echo, has been screaming murder — the mouse is at our throat. We are not sorry, for while Egypt's intentions in 1948 were very menacing indeed, Israel's today do not go beyond a little peace and quiet, with perhaps the observation of a few international agreements thrown in. But we think the mouse has also earned a little peace and quiet and should not be given now to a larger and more dangerous snake to eat.

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A VISITOR to Eilat says she came back by the tourist bus in order to see the landscape at leisure. On its way the bus calls in at Sde Boker and, not unnaturally, the guide can be prevailed upon to point out which of the little green huts belongs to the Prime Minister. The hut has a large covered porch equipped with fly-screens and when the owners are not at home some of the smaller children like to play there. The spokesman for the group on this occasion looked about three-and-a-half. Was it his house? No. Whose house was it? Paula's. And her husband? The husband was called Ben-Gurion. And he wasn't at home? No. "He's one of the members (of the kibbutz) who are always having to do outside work in Jerusalem."

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THE indignant citizens who have often had trouble with the vagaries of our customs system may be comforted to know that things are not much better elsewhere. A tea-drinker in England has pointed out that it is an ancient Chinese practice to grow certain scented flowers for the purpose of mixing with and scenting the tea. One of these is orange-blossom and another is jasmine.

"Until quite recently jasmine-scented tea, which has a most delightful flavour, was being sold in England at twenty shillings a pound and we occasionally — very occasionally — gave it to the guests who were invited to our parties. Then quite suddenly we learned that no more would be imported because the Board of Trade had decided that mixing flowers with tea was adulteration.

"A few months later, the merchant from whom I buy tea told me that two friends of his had recently returned from a visit to China bringing with them six tins of jasmine-scented tea. The Customs officer wished to throw the tins into the sea, but, yielding to the violent protests of the travellers, he allowed them to take the tins of tea ashore after they had been labelled 'Unfit for Human Consumption'."

The only thing is that jasmine tea is rather horrid.

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THE winds and storms in the North herald the winter, and have brought rain to the South, and the

Bedouin hope for the first crop in three seasons. Haifa has been blustery and wet for a week. The wind blows away newspapers and makes umbrellas a menace. If you decide to seek refuge in a cinema, you will find that your current choice is "Raw Wind in Eden," "Wild is the Wind," and a revival of "Gone with the Wind."

Today's contributors include E., Jerusalem and H.W.G., Haifa.

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YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Facing Reality of Jordan

HABOKER (General Zionist) asks why, instead of doing our best to refute the Soviet-Egyptian allegations that we are bent on making war, we do not say clearly that Jordan is bound shortly to become a serious threat to our welfare and security. All signs point to the impending Nasserization of the country across the border, completing the encirclement of Israel. That is the tack we should take instead of dealing in apologetics. The paper also writes that with the secondary school teachers' strike just over, a students' strike is looming. Why not find a solution before it breaks out?

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that financing immigration is the duty of all sections of the public and of the Jewish communities abroad. The Government and Jewish Agency will have to prepare the people psychologically for real volunteering by cutting down on unnecessary expenditure, by keeping promises that "voluntary loans," would not be made compulsory, by taking into consideration the immigrants' living habits and opinions and by creating an atmosphere of confidence all-round.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) urges that the building workers' demands for better wages and social conditions be met. Mapai has prevented an airing of the needs of the trade for two years and the time has come to make amends.

Ha'aretz (non-party), wondering how Mapai will react to the National Religious Party ultimatum, points out that the decision cannot be confined to the specific problems relating to the registration dispute, but will involve the development of the State in other spheres too. **Hamodia** (World Aguda) is nonplussed over the shortsightedness of the National Religious Party, which, it avers, is impatient to return to the coalition although nothing has changed since it walked out and although the current negotiations will not add one jot to the party's prestige.

Lamerhav (Abdut Ha'avoda) marks the opening of the new academic year at the Hebrew University by calling on our institutions of higher learning to devote greater efforts to the study and repair of our social fabric.

Davar (Histadrut) asks what benefit Russia derives from its pro-Arab and especially pro-Nasser stand. So far, the Arabs have been the real gainers while the Soviet Union has only suffered a great moral setback. Has not the time come for the Soviet leaders to ask whether it is all worth while?

Herut writes that America's policy toward Israel has nothing to do with yesterday's Congressional elections and it is not they that will bring about a change in Washington's attitude to us.

Scientist's Word for New Isotope Building: 'Fantastic'

By PHILIP GILLON

"FINE buildings and laboratories don't necessarily mean fine work," said Professor Israel Dostrovsky to the members of the Swiss delegation at the opening this week of the new Swiss Pavilion housing the Isotopes Department of the Institutes of Nuclear Physics at Yad Chaim Weizmann. "We'll try to prove that with these very good facilities we can do good work. For the opposite proposition is certainly true — without adequate laboratories it is impossible to get good results."

Certainly the new building will provide Prof. Dostrovsky and his colleagues with every possible means required both for general work on isotopes and for research. Housed in a magnificent structure designed by Nahum Zalkind as a wing to his Nuclear-Physics block, the department is equipped with every modern device and apparatus. "The building is not only perfect for its purpose but it is beautiful and aesthetic," said Christophe Bernoulli, a member of the Swiss delegation and an architect by profession. "It is one of the best modern buildings intended for scientific purposes which I have ever seen. I was particularly delighted by the colour schemes."

The building is a two-storey structure — with one storey below ground level. Another member of the delegation commented that the equipment was more comprehensive than he had seen in similar institutions in Switzerland. An English scientist who graduated from London University and the Pasteur Institute and who is to spend a year in Israel, commented briefly: "Fantastic." Dr. Michael Aubar, a young Israeli in charge of the Isotope Training School, who spent two years at the University of Chicago, said cautiously that the equipment was more modern than Chicago's because the latter University was much older.

Professor Dostrovsky's men will be able to work in conditions which are almost ideal. In fact his modesty about his department, although undoubtedly genuine, is not warranted by the record: he and his colleagues reached very high standards even before they moved into the perfection of their new home. Israel is already famous as the producer of 95 per cent of the world's supply of heavy-oxygen heavy water, largely due to a method of separation divised by Professor Dostrovsky himself.

Every Day Use

The department is anxious that the public of Israel should learn to use isotopes in ordinary life: it can place at the service of agriculture, industry, medicine and chemistry the accumulated "know-how" of years of expert work. Dr. Michael Aubar explains isotopes as atoms of an element all having the same properties, but with different weights because they have different numbers of neutrons, the passive particles of the atom in which most of the weight is concentrated. As an example, which he considers intelligible even to journalists, he uses the oxygen in water — that famous H_2O of our youth — and explains that 99.76 per cent of the oxygene is O^{16}. But 0.2 per cent are O^{18} and 0.4 per cent are O^{17}.

Satisfied that even the reporters are with him up to that point he explained further that by concentrating O^{18} and O^{17} together and then separating them he gets 95 per cent "heavy water." 1 gram is worth $300, and a small bottle, half-full, is worth $8,000, which is certainly plenty of money for water.

The isotopes are easily identifiable when they are radioactive; as a result they are of great use as "tracers" in numerous fields of peaceful activity. In agriculture farmers may want to know whether a plant is picking up phosphates from the soil or from the fertilizer — if the former, it is a pity to supply unneeded fertilizer. By placing isotopes in the fertilizer the farmer can trace how much of that phosphate was absorbed from it by the plant. In industry, isotopes are used to trace "leaks" in material and whether thicknesses are standard. Gamma — irradiating isotopes give pictures of weldings analagous to X-ray films of bones. If hydrologists wish to discover the rate of flow of underground water they can deposit isotopes of oxygen in Well A and can trace them in Well B. Physiologists wanting to know how fast water is distributed in the blood of a mammal and by what mechanism it enters the cells inject O^{18} into a rabbit and by taking blood samples trace its disappearance.

By the use of one of the formidable instruments included in the Swiss Pavilion, known as a mass-spectrometer, the isotopic composition is determined.

All these awe-inspiring wonders are taught to non-scientific persons interested in the use of isotopes in courses lasting between six weeks and three months. There is a special division of the department concentrating on isotopes as tracers.

Various Types

Another division works on research into various types of isotopes. Almost every element has isotopes but only a few are useful: for exploitation they have to be radioactive, long-lived, easy to prepare, stable but readily separated and available. Between 60 and 100 are presently in use but the research scientists are prying into the atoms of other elements. Another research group is working on the chemistry of radio-active substances, finding what isotopes are produced by fission. Other scientists in the department are investigating theoretical problems in connection with fusion and fission. Altogether 30 advanced experts work in the department, with, of course, supporting staff.

The Swiss delegation was undoubtedly overwhelmed by the miracles which they were helping from afar to unleash. Paul Dreyfus de Gunsburg, a well-known industrialist who inspired the Swiss Wing of the Friends of the Weizmann Institute, explained that the group consisted of intellectuals and industrialists, both Jewish and Gentile, who thought that the Weizmann Institute was a suitable link between the two countries: they had accepted Mr. Weisgal's suggestion of "adopting" the Isotope Department without any idea of what fantastic results they were to achieve. Others in the group include Professor C. Burckhardt, a famous thinker and diplomat; there are newspaper editors and publishers, bankers, Paul Socher the conductor, the President of the Swiss Red Cross, several industrialists. All of them were unanimous in their astonishment. Christophe Bernoulli thought that Israel was just like Switzerland — patriotic without being chauvinistic, its military forces geared for peace rather than war, its science, hinged to raising standards of living, an example to the world.

Traffic Regulations Held Severe

Readers' Letters

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With regard to the growing demand for more severe traffic regulations and stricter enforcement, permit me to observe that I have just returned from a visit abroad and was struck by the fact that nowhere in Europe did I encounter such severe traffic laws as are enforced here. I also found that European traffic policemen were helpful and obliging, instead of pouncing on the victim for the slightest offence.

I feel that it would not add to the insecurity of the roads if we would abolish driving licences, engine tests and fees, and compulsory insurance for power-driven bicycles (up to 50cc engines) — which will make this harmless and cheap vehicle available to the many people who cannot now afford the cost and red tape involved in keeping it; be less exacting in the driving examinations, which have reached a perfectly absurd point; and instruct policemen not to report drivers for unintentional minor offences but just to point out their errors in a helpful way, a practice that works everywhere.

Yours, etc.
R. PIETRKOWSKI
Kiryat Haim, October 27.

TRAFFIC TRAP

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — With reference to the reader's letter in your issue of October 15, complaining of a "traffic trap" at the corner of Rehov Ahad Ha'am and Rehov Sheinkin, may we point out that the stop signs are fixed in accordance with the needs of traffic and not the convenience of the drivers, and that their chief purpose is to give priority to the street which carries the most traffic. Furthermore, these stop signs are intended to provide safer road conditions at dangerous crossings where the field of vision is defective.

At the corner in question, the stop sign was erected at a spot decided upon by the Tel Aviv Traffic Committee which is composed of representatives of the municipality, Police and the Ministry of Transport. This Committee's aim is to ensure the public's safety and there is no intention of "trapping" drivers.

We are, of course, not authorized to answer in the name of the Traffic Police, but if there is such a road trap at this spot, this can only be because of the many accidents which have happened there due to disregard of the stop sign.

Yours, etc.
M. KALIR
Director of Information and Public Relations Department, Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipality
Tel Aviv, October 27.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We have investigated "Motorist's" complaint and can state that the police of this district do not engage in the practice your correspondent complains of: "hiding behind the pillars of the Bank Leumi building near the corner, waiting for their victims."

Yours, etc.
Y. KENNER
Deputy Police Commander, Tel Aviv District
Tel Aviv, October 28.

WATER SEARCH

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I should be grateful if you could add a few words to the article "Looking for Water at Yotvata," published today, in order to avoid any misunderstanding:

My methods, worked out between 1949-1952 and mentioned in your article, do not deal with the amount of water, but with the finding of the minimum yearly water influx in oases like Yotvata, for instance; that is, the amount which can be used yearly without diminishing the resources.

The Hydrological Service under the direction of Dr W. Stern is working extensively to find out the bulk amount of available water.

Both methods are now to be combined for the first time and are to be carried out cooperatively in the near future.

Yours, etc.
DR. H. BOYKO
October 9.

THANKS TO POSTAL SERVICE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A month ago a New Year's greeting was mailed to me from France but the address was incorrect. Last week I received the card after it had been sent to no less than 13 post offices in various parts of the country.

This is a good example of respect and consideration for the right of the citizen.

Yours, etc.
J. HODARA
Tel Aviv, October 17.

NATURE NOTES — THORN APPLE

EVEN now, so late in the year, I have still found plenty of flowers on that wicked, most poisonous plant, *Datura stramonium (Dakhtur)*. Like many things that are bad for you, it is quite beautiful — a snow-white trumpet, six inches long, with large ovate leaves, showy and juicy green. Luckily, it has a nasty smell. Though still blooming, the shrub-like plants are covered with fruit, both in the green state, when they are rather soft and look like unripe chestnuts, and ripe. These last are exceedingly prickly, and many of them have already burst, showing four valves with small brown seeds inside.

The plant is used in medicine, extracts being made both from seeds and leaves, and is especially beneficial against asthma; but children should be warned against it, for it is a virulently poisonous thing, like most of the solanaceae, the nightshades. It is perhaps significant that this group of plants comprises both some of the most poisonous and some of the most useful and important plants known — the potato above all, and the tomato. Most of these are at home in the New World, and even our *datura* is probably an import, not from America but from the Black Sea. The fact that it is usually found near ruins speaks for its being, in any case, an escapee, a plant that was formerly cultivated.

P.A.

PEN FRIENDS

MISS JUDITH CHAZEN, 21, of 67-44 — 194th Street, Flushing 65, N.Y.C., N.Y. would like to correspond with an Israel boy aged between 23 and 25. She plays the guitar and enjoys classical music.

COSTAS BARBIS, 20, Tsakalof Street, Korydallos - Piraeus, Greece, a graduate of the Law Faculty of Athens University and an ardent friend of Israel and its people, wants to correspond with young Jews of either sex for the purpose of improving relations and mutual understanding between the two peoples, and also for the exchange of stamps. He can write in English or French.

SYDNEY BLACK, 21, of Bachad Farm Institute, The Lodge, Thaxted, Essex, England, has been trying for quite a while to obtain a pen friend from Israel. He is interested in and is studying metal work, poultry, electricity and general farming and hopes to go on aliya some time late next year. He is at present on the Bnei Akiva hachshara and would therefore like to correspond with a boy or girl of the same age who is in the movement.

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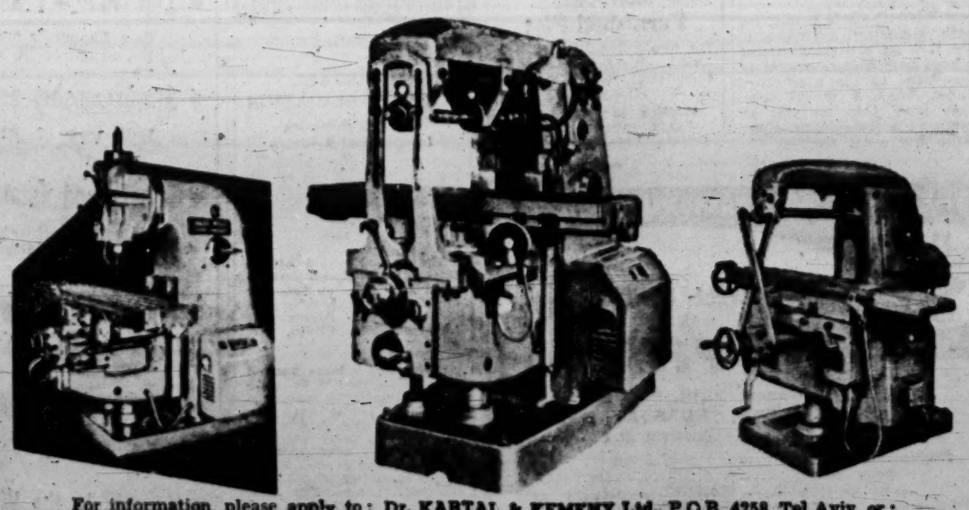

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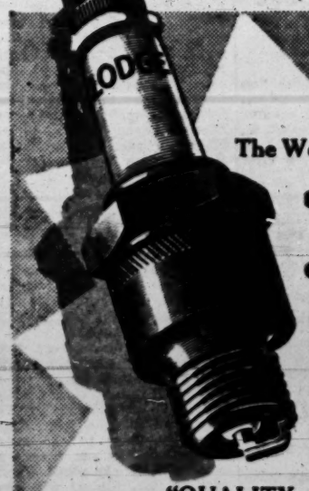

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